

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Meeting

Plain Township Board of Trustee Meeting

The Plain Township Board of Trustees met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station, 9500 Johnstown Road, New Albany, OH 43054.

Mr. Ferguson called the meeting to order. Mr. Ferguson led the Trustees in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call: Members Present: Dave Ferguson and Tom Rybski. Bud Zappitelli, Fiscal Officer, was present. Others present: Ben Collins, Bobby Pharris, Mike Durik, Sheriff Ken Upton, Battalion Chief Sponaugle, Battalion Chief Ecleberry, Captain Dudley, and Courtney Rogers. Visitors present: Roberta McGrew, David Reutter, Chris Ingram, Cory Bonda, and David Smith.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Rybski suggested that the public hearing be moved to after the Storm Water presentation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the September 1, 2021 minutes was tabled due to Mr. Olmstead's absence.

Mr. Rybski made a motion to approve the September 15, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting minutes. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye. (Resolution 21100601)

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to approve the September 20, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting minutes. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye. (Resolution 21100602)

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pay the pending warrants in the amount of \$380,988.41. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye. (Resolution 21100603)

CITY LIASION – MIKE DURIK

Mr. Durik indicated that New Albany City Council met the previous evening. The first matter discussed was the NoNA complex which came before Council two months ago. It is projected to have approximately 250 apartments, and high density with no offset greenspace. When this matter went before City Council about a month ago, there was approximately 100 residents in opposition there and the developer asked for an extension. At City Council last night, they still had many residents, along with hundreds of letters, requesting that the complex be denied. The

developer asked for another extension until December, in the hopes that they can revise the initial plan. That extension was denied and the developers plan was denied in a 4 to 1 vote.

Going forward, City Council will be working on what constitutes a “hamlet” while there is no current development plan pending. In the meantime, that development is denied.

The next matter was the approval of the City Manager to go forward, in conjunction with Franklin County, to build a roundabout at Morse Road and Babbitt Road. New Albany will be paying for part of the sewer infrastructure so that if there is the need in the future, the City would not have to interfere with the roundabout.

NPDES ANNUAL REVIEW – DAVID REUTTER

Mr. Reutter indicated that there was a new permit in 2021 updating the storm water plan. Additionally, Public Health is looking for any discharge into our storm water that should not be there. If you smell something, or see something that shouldn't be there, call the Public Health office. There are no current concerns in Plain Township. Lastly, Storm Water Outreach Week is October 17th-23rd.

ZONING PUBLIC HEARING – REZONING APPLICATION 11673 JOHNSTOWN RD

Mr. Collins gave a presentation indicating the proposed zoning changes for the property at 11673 Johnstown Road. Mr. Ingram who represents the applicant, answered questions regarding disturbance of the culvert or ditch, lighting, and possible increase in traffic. Mr. Ingram also indicated that the residence currently on the property will be undisturbed.

Mr. Collins indicated that there were very few inquiries from the public. The Fire Department had requested that the dry hydrant be relocated closer to the front of the space and that was agreed to. Mr. Collins recommended approval of the application.

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass Resolution 211006Z1. Be it resolved to approve zoning amendment application 07-08-2021-01 to rezone parcel #220-002183, known as 11673 Johnstown Road, from Rural to Select Commercial Planned District. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to adjourn into executive session at 7:50 p.m. pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (G)(1) for appointment, employment, promotion or compensation, demotion or dismissal. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

Mr. Collins, Mr. Zappitelli, and Battalion Chief Sponaugle attended the Executive Session.

Mr. Rybski made a motion to close out of executive session at 8:34 p.m. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

ACTION TAKEN:

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass Resolution 211006F1. Be it resolved to offer conditional employment to David Smith as a full-time Firefighter Paramedic through a lateral transfer at pay step 3 according to the Lateral Transfer Policy for 5 years of service pending results from the background check. Start date to be determined. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Collins reported that the Form Fire accounts are being updated and he requested that all employees update theirs by midnight on Friday night.

Mr. Collins indicated that we received the second half of our TIF distribution from the City of New Albany.

Next, Mr. Collins indicated that our HRA utilization is trending down over last year. Noting that we are down 33% over last year.

Additionally, Mr. Collins stated that there is a Resolution on the Mosquito Management renewal for next year.

Lastly, Trick or Treat is October 28th in the Township to align with the City of New Albany.

Mr. Rybski made a motion to pass Resolution 211006A1. Be It Resolved, that the Plain Township Board of Trustees hereby approves a one-year extension of a contract through the Franklin County General Health District with Clarke Environmental Mosquito Management, Inc. for Mosquito Management, for a period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022, at an increase of 1.5%, in the amount of \$2,087.33 to be paid from 01-B-08 (General – Twp-Other Expenses) and authorizing the township administrator to execute the contract on behalf of Plain Township. Mr. Ferguson seconded the Motion. Vote: All Aye.

ROAD/MAINTENANCE

Mr. Pharris reported that there was a leak discovered under the cement that was substantial. Mr. Pharris indicated that he continues to look for further leaks.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Battalion Chief Sponaugle indicated that there have been 70 Fire runs and 118 EMS runs and 6 special events since the last Board of Trustees meeting. Chief Sponaugle reported that there have been two recent shootings, one in Gahanna, and one in the City of Columbus, but in the district the Fire Department covers.

Battalion Chief Sponaugle also reported that there has been an uptick in auto accidents. There have been 17 in the three-week period between meetings, two of them required extrications.

Further, among the assisted living runs, there were 17 listed in the report, with an additional three since the start of October. The majority of these runs are medical issues that are beyond the nursing staff's qualifications.

Mr. Collins updated the Board as to the Assistant Fire Chief position applicants. There have been 15 applicants and he would like to start scheduling interviews when Mr. Olmstead returns.

Lastly, Mr. Collins indicated that Chief Rupp wanted to discuss a prevention vehicle. The current plan is to replace the Ford Focus with a Chevy truck from Coughlin.

FISCAL OFFICE

Mr. Rybski made a motion to pass Resolution No. 211006B1. Be it resolved, to authorize and pay the amount of \$15,444 to Software Solutions, 8534 Yankee Street, Suite 2B, Dayton, Ohio 45458 for the Annual Software Support Contract (11/1/21-10/31/22) and Server Hosting for the VIP Accounting Software to be paid out of the following funds:

1000-120-58099	(General - Twp-Other Expenses)	\$ 2,375.96
2041-410-58099	(Cemetery-Other Expenses)	\$ 225.24
2111-220-58099	(Fire District-Other Expenses)	\$11,440.38
2141-330-58099	(Road District-Other Expenses)	\$ 456.14
2171-610-58099	(Pool-Other Expenses)	\$ 331.48
2281-230-58099	(EMS-Other)	\$ 614.80
	Total	<u>\$15,444.00</u>

Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Aye

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass Resolution No. 211006B2. Be it resolved: To increase the annual vacation accrual of the Finance Officer from 110.08 hours to 120.12 hours, effective the pay period ending 10/15/21. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye.

Battalion Chief Sponaugle reported that Keytel will be increasing their costs for next year.

Mr. Collins reported that we are in the process of researching a new credit card policy.

TRUSTEES

Mr. Rybski acknowledged Chief Hoover's retirement party and indicated that it was a great event and a wonderful evening.

Mr. Ferguson indicated that the dedication at the amphitheater was also a great event and recognized that the amphitheater is an incredible asset to our community.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m. Mr. Rybski seconded the motion. Vote: All Aye

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

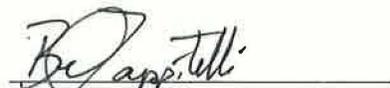


David Ferguson, Trustee

Dave Olmstead, Trustee



Thomas Rybski, Trustee



Bud Zappitelli, Fiscal Officer